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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

AIDING PRODUCT LIFE CYCLE PLANNING AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT THEREFOR

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 12, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.